Issue of letters of intent in Andhra Pradesh

2241. 5iHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: SHRI TALARI MANOHAR:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Andhr$_a$ Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation have sent sixteen applications for grant of letters of intent; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the applications and the action taken by Government thereon and the reasons for delay in clearing the applications'?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHA-LAM): (a) and (b) During the years 1986 and 1987 (upto 23.11.87), a total of 19 Industrial Licence applications were received from Messrs. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation Ltd./Messrs. Andhra Pradesh Electronics Development Corporation Ltd. Out of these, 5 applications have already been approved and necessary letters of intent issued to the parties. These letters of intent involve the manufacture of mainly electronic equipment/items like Electronic Rural Automatic Exchange/EPABX EPAX, Rural Radio Telephone Equipment. 128 Port EPABX. Multiplex Equipment and Light Weight Head Sets. Of the remaining 14 applications, while 10 applications have since been rejected or otherwise disposed of, 4 applications are presently at various stages of processing.

Industrialisation of tribal areas of Madhya Pradesh

2242. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI-. Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many licences have so far been issued for the industrialisation of the 'No Industry Districts' (NIDs) in Bastar and Jhabua of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) what is the progress made for the establishment of these units including the polyester fibre plant unit in Meghnagar of Jhabua district; and

(c) what action is being taken by Government for the speedy industrialisation of these two most backward tribal districts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHA-LAM): (a) to (c) The number of letters of intent and industrial licences granted during the years 1983 to 1987 (upto October') for setting up industrial units in Jhabua and Bastar districts of Madhya Pradesh are indicated below:—

Year	Letters of Intent		Industrial Licences	
	Jhabua	Bastar	Jhabua	Bastar
1983	1			
1984	1			
1985	**2**	1	1	
1986	**2**			
1987 (upto Oct.)	1			